

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:** Maria Laura GENNARO      **Examiner:** SWARTZ, Rodney P.

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**Amendment**

Sir:

This communication is being filed in response to the July 17, 2007 Final Office Action issued in connection with the above-referenced application. A response to the July 17, 2007 Final Office Action is due October 17, 2007. Accordingly, this Response is being timely filed. Also filed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.